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<p align="center">Advisory Action Before the Filing of an Appeal Brief</p>	Application No. 10/800,574	Applicant(s) CHINEA, VANESSA I.
	Examiner Erik B. Crawford	Art Unit 1641

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THE REPLY FILED 29 December 2011 FAILS TO PLACE THIS APPLICATION IN CONDITION FOR ALLOWANCE.

1. ☐ The reply was filed after a final rejection, but prior to or on the same day as filing a Notice of Appeal. To avoid abandonment of this application, applicant must timely file one of the following replies: (1) an amendment, affidavit, or other evidence, which places the application in condition for allowance; (2) a Notice of Appeal (with appeal fee) in compliance with 37 CFR 41.31; or (3) a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.114. The reply must be filed within one of the following time periods:

- a) ☐ The period for reply expires _____ months from the mailing date of the final rejection.
 b) ☒ The period for reply expires on: (1) the mailing date of this Advisory Action, or (2) the date set forth in the final rejection, whichever is later. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the mailing date of the final rejection.

Examiner Note: If box 1 is checked, check either box (a) or (b). ONLY CHECK BOX (b) WHEN THE FIRST REPLY WAS FILED WITHIN TWO MONTHS OF THE FINAL REJECTION. See MPEP 706.07(f).

Extensions of time may be obtained under 37 CFR 1.136(a). The date on which the petition under 37 CFR 1.136(a) and the appropriate extension fee have been filed is the date for purposes of determining the period of extension and the corresponding amount of the fee. The appropriate extension fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a) is calculated from: (1) the expiration date of the shortened statutory period for reply originally set in the final Office action; or (2) as set forth in (b) above, if checked. Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of the final rejection, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

NOTICE OF APPEAL

2. ☐ The Notice of Appeal was filed on _____. A brief in compliance with 37 CFR 41.37 must be filed within two months of the date of filing the Notice of Appeal (37 CFR 41.37(a)), or any extension thereof (37 CFR 41.37(e)), to avoid dismissal of the appeal. Since a Notice of Appeal has been filed, any reply must be filed within the time period set forth in 37 CFR 41.37(a).

AMENDMENTS

3. ☒ The proposed amendment(s) filed after a final rejection, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because
 (a) ☒ They raise new issues that would require further consideration and/or search (see NOTE below);
 (b) ☐ They raise the issue of new matter (see NOTE below);
 (c) ☒ They are not deemed to place the application in better form for appeal by materially reducing or simplifying the issues for appeal; and/or
 (d) ☐ They present additional claims without canceling a corresponding number of finally rejected claims.

NOTE: See Continuation Sheet. (See 37 CFR 1.116 and 41.33(a)).

4. ☐ The amendments are not in compliance with 37 CFR 1.121. See attached Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (PTOL-324).
 5. ☐ Applicant's reply has overcome the following rejection(s): _____.
 6. ☐ Newly proposed or amended claim(s) _____ would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the non-allowable claim(s).
 7. ☒ For purposes of appeal, the proposed amendment(s): a) ☒ will not be entered, or b) ☐ will be entered and an explanation of how the new or amended claims would be rejected is provided below or appended.
 The status of the claim(s) is (or will be) as follows:
 Claim(s) allowed: _____.
 Claim(s) objected to: _____.
 Claim(s) rejected: 23,24 and 26-33.
 Claim(s) withdrawn from consideration: 1-10 and 19-22.

AFFIDAVIT OR OTHER EVIDENCE

8. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after a final action, but before or on the date of filing a Notice of Appeal will not be entered because applicant failed to provide a showing of good and sufficient reasons why the affidavit or other evidence is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 1.116(e).
 9. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence filed after the date of filing a Notice of Appeal, but prior to the date of filing a brief, will not be entered because the affidavit or other evidence failed to overcome all rejections under appeal and/or appellant fails to provide a showing a good and sufficient reasons why it is necessary and was not earlier presented. See 37 CFR 41.33(d)(1).
 10. ☐ The affidavit or other evidence is entered. An explanation of the status of the claims after entry is below or attached.

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION/OTHER

11. ☒ The request for reconsideration has been considered but does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because:
See Continuation Sheet.
 12. ☐ Note the attached Information *Disclosure Statement*(s). (PTO/SB/08) Paper No(s). _____.
 13. ☐ Other: _____.

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Continuation of 3. NOTE: applicant's amendment to claims 1, 23, and 26 require the new limitation of a spectrophotometric device, which would require further consideration and search.

Continuation of 11. does NOT place the application in condition for allowance because: for the reasons stated in the previous office action dated 28 October 2011. Applicant's argument that one skilled in the art would not combine Strickley with Tokie because Strickley is not at all related to inkjet printing, is not found persuasive. Tokie is being relied upon for teaching the pharmaceutical dispensing apparatus presently claimed. However, Tokie does not explicitly teach the desired viscosity or surface tension of the dispense pharmaceutical solution. Thus, Strickley is relied upon for teaching a pharmaceutical solution comprising digoxin in a DMSO solvent, which Applicant has specified as the pharmaceutical solution in claim 26.

Moreover, Applicant's argument that one skilled in the art would not be led to randomly select pharmaceuticals and solvents that are outside of the viscosity range specifically provided by Tokie, is not found persuasive. Tokie is relied upon for teaching that the viscosity is a function of the temperature and that the temperature may be varied to provide the desired viscosity of the dispensed fluid material in order to ensure proper jetting of the material (col. 6, lines 12-17). Tokie provides an example of a typical fluid for thermal inkjetting that has a viscosity in the range of 3 to 5 centiPoise at 25 degrees Celsius, but does not limit the working viscosity range of the fluid material used in the disclosed dispensing apparatus. Thus, Applicant's recitation of digoxin in DMSO as the pharmaceutical solution provided the guidance for addressing the viscosity and surface tension ranges using the Strickley reference.

Furthermore, Applicant presents arguments directed to new limitations which have not be considered or entered.